HOUSE BILL 2262

By Dunn

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-34-105, relative to family planning.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-34-105, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:
 - (a) The department is authorized to receive and disburse such funds as may be available to it for family planning programs in accordance with this section.
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other law, any funds that become available to the department for family planning programs must be awarded:
 - (1) To eligible entities in the following order of descending priority:
 - (A) Public entities that provide family planning services, including state, county, and local community health clinics and federally qualified health centers;
 - (B) Nonpublic entities that provide comprehensive primary and preventative care services in addition to family planning services; and
 - (C) Nonpublic entities that provide family planning services but do not provide comprehensive primary and preventative care services; or
 - (2) As otherwise directed by the legislature in an appropriations act.
 - (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the department shall ensure, in compliance with federal law, distribution of funds for family planning services in a manner that does not severely limit or eliminate access to those services in any region of the state.

 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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